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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR A FEDERAL
AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GRANT AND A STATE MATCHING
FUNDS GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AN AIRPORT
SERVICE ROAD AT BRACKETT FIELD AIRPORT, C.P. 88908,
CITY OF LA VERNE
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of Public Works to apply for a Federal Aviation Administration construction grant in the amount of \$1,450,000 to provide 90 percent of the funds for construction of an airport service road project, C.P. 88908, and to apply for a State matching grant in the amount of \$72,500 to provide 5 percent of the matching funds for construction of this service road at Brackett Field Airport in the City of La Verne.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute and process such documents and agreements as necessary for the acceptance of these Federal and State grants.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are recommending that your Board authorize the Director of Public Works to apply for a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) construction grant in the amount of \$1,450,000 to

provide 90 percent of the funds to construct an airport service road, and to apply for a State matching grant in the amount of \$72,500 to provide 5 percent of the matching funds for this project at Brackett Field Airport in the City of La Verne.

Brackett Field Airport has a Board-approved Master Plan recommending that projects be completed in order to improve and upgrade the airport to meet current FAA standards and to improve overall safety on the airport. This airport service road project will comply with the FAA's new standards to improve safety for all flight operations by keeping authorized airport vehicles clear of the active runway/taxiway operational areas.

The FAA has formally notified us that priority grant funding for this project is available during this Federal fiscal year. The State Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Division agrees that the project is eligible for a State matching grant. Formal applications are the next step for this project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as the FAA grant and State matching grant provide 95 percent reimbursable funds from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) to allow construction of this airport project, resulting in safer and more effective operating conditions. It also satisfies the Goal of Service Excellence by providing safer airport access to airport tenants and customers.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The anticipated FAA grant commitment of \$1,450,000 will be the main funding source for this project, which will provide 90 percent of the funds. The State matching grant commitment will provide 5 percent matching funds for the project, and the Aviation Capital Projects Fund has sufficient funds available to finance the County's 5 percent matching share. There will be no net County cost associated with the project.

The project will only be initiated upon FAA's approval of grant funding. Upon receipt of grant funding, and completion of the design phase and estimated budget for construction, we will return to your Board for approval of an appropriation adjustment to properly account for project funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Not applicable for these administrative procedures.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The project is categorically exempt, as specified in Class 1(x) (1) and (2) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, Synopsis 57.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable for these administrative procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

All users of the airport will benefit from the completion of this project, which will result in increased safety for the airport users and tenants.

CONCLUSION

Please return four (4) approved copies of the Board letter to the Department of Public Works, Aviation Division, for further processing.

It is further requested that conformed copies of this letter be distributed to:

- a. County Counsel
- b. Auditor-Controller
- c. Chief Administrative Office

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel